Edwina Letters missing

4218. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news report captioned 'FOUR EDWINA LETTERS MISSING' which appeared in Hindu, Delhi dated 11th February, 1992.

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) what is the exact number of letters brought from London; and

(d) the details of the steps taken by Government to trace the missing letters?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A very substantial section of Nehru papers containing amongst other papers more than 100 letters (including 23 communications—16 telegrams and 7 letters sent to Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru by Lady Edwina Mountbatten were deposited with the Museum in March, 1990. As the Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru—Lady Edwina Mountbatten Correspondence has been handed over to the Nheru Memorial Museum fully integrated, with a very substantial segment of the total correspondence of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the exact number of letters brought from London can not be ascertained.

(d) The Museum has clarified that none of the letters deposited in March, 1990 is missing.

Killing of Daughters

4219. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:

SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a newsitem that appeared in the Times of India (ND) dated 21-12-91 under the caption 'Parents kill 4 daughters, themselves;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action Government propose to take to check such crimes against female children?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) to (c) The information is being obtained from the Ministry of Home Affairs and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Sale of Super Computer by USA to the Indian Institute of Science

@4220. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the United States have cancelled the sale of Super Computer to the Indian Institute of Science (IISC);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the IISC has spent Rs. 2.5 crore on setting up an exclusive facility to house this Super sensitive machine?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Government of India has not received any information regarding cancellation by United States of sale of Super Computer to Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.

(b) Doesn't arise.

(c) As part of the project for providing Super Computing facility, the Institute has already installed and operationalised water-cooled Cyber 992 vector high

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